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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

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Dear Supervisors:

August 17, 2010

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION: APPROVE THE ALLOCATION OF SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT SPECIFIED EXCESS FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TO THE BALDWIN HILLS REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY FOR SPECIFIED EXCESS FUNDS FOR BALDWIN HILLS ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE SAFE **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996** (SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allocate \$2,417,220 of Second Supervisorial District Specified Excess Funds to the Department of Parks and Recreation, and adopt a resolution assigning to the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority the County's right to apply for these funds.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that these actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act according to Section 15303 (e), 15311, and 15325 (f) of the State California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Classes 3 (b), 11 and 25 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the action provides for transfer of ownership of land to create parks, preserve open space, preserve existing natural conditions, and the development of appurtenant facilities.

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- 2. Approve the allocation of Second Supervisorial District Specified Excess Funds in the amount of \$2,417,220 to the Department of Parks and Recreation.
- 3. Adopt the resolution assigning to the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority the County's right to apply for \$2,417,220 of Second Supervisorial District Specified Excess Funds allocated to the Department of Parks and Recreation under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 for the acquisition of land and for development of related appurtenant facilities and public access in Baldwin Hills.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (Authority) to apply for \$2,417,220 of Second Supervisorial District Specified Excess Funds from the County of Los Angeles Regional Park and Open Space District (District) allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 for acquisition of lands for park, wildlife, natural and open space purposes and for development of appurtenant recreation facilities and public access in Baldwin Hills.

In a related action on today's agenda, the District is requesting that your Board allocate \$2,417,220 of Specified Excess Funds available to the Second Supervisorial District to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) and assign the right to apply for these funds to the Authority when applicable conditions have been met.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support Countywide Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), Children, Family and Adult Well-Being (Goal 2), and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3), by investing in public infrastructure that will enhance recreational opportunities in the Baldwin Hills.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended actions will have no impact on the County's General Fund as sufficient appropriation in the amount of \$2,417,220 is budgeted in the Second Supervisorial District portion of the District's Specified Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On April 27, 1999, your Board approved the formation of the Authority and assigned to the Authority the right to apply to the District for funds allocated to the Department under Section 3(b)(2) of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996.

The 1996 Proposition provides a method of determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects (Excess Funds) in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended action will allow the Authority to apply for Specified Excess Funds available to the Second Supervisorial District under the 1996 Proposition.

County Counsel has approved the attached resolution as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Section 15303 (e), 15311, and 15325 (f) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 3 (b), 11 and 25 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the action provides for transfer of ownership of land to create parks, preserve open space, preserve existing natural conditions, and the development of appurtenant facilities. Further, the Authority will be required to comply with District procedures requiring grantee agencies to comply with the applicable CEQA review for any projects funded by the District.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended action will not have a negative impact on any other services or any current or planned projects; it will allow for the acquisition and development of additional open space and recreational opportunities within Baldwin Hills.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of the Board letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors County Counsel Parks and Recreation

COUNTY ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHT TO APPLY FOR FUNDS FOR BALDWIN HILLS PURSUANT TO SECTION 24, SUBSECTIONS b and c OF THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996

WHEREAS, the County, under Section 24, Subsections b and c of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 is the designated recipient of excess funds allocated to the highest priority regional open space and recreation projects in Baldwin Hills; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (Authority), a Joint Powers Authority, was established in 1999 by the County and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for the purpose of providing a comprehensive program to acquire, expand and improve open space, natural habitat, and recreational opportunities within the Baldwin Hills and other natural and recreational areas within the Second Supervisorial District; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is in the County's interest to assign the County's right to apply for those funds to the Authority, for the acquisition of land and for development of related appurtenant facilities and public access in Baldwin Hills; and

WHEREAS, the Authority will submit an amendment to the Regional Park and Open Space District to obtain additional Specified Excess Funds for the acquisition of land and for development of related appurtenant facilities and public access in Baldwin Hills.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby:

Assigns to the Authority the County's right to apply for \$2,417,220 of Specified Excess Funds for implementation of projects in Baldwin Hills.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the _____ day of _____ August__, 2010, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, Agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI, Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

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